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GOV. EASLEY REAPPOINTS COOPER TO NURSING CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed **Stephannie Renee Cooper** of Cary to the North Carolina Center for Nursing Board of Directors.

Cooper is a family nurse practitioner at Wake County Human Services in Raleigh. She is a member of the Central Carolina Black Nurses' Council. Cooper has been recognized by the Institute for Nursing Excellence.. She received a Bachelor's degree in nursing from Grambling State University in Grambling, La., and a Master's degree in nursing from UNC at Chapel Hill.

The board will develop a strategic statewide plan for nursing manpower in North Carolina; convene various groups representing nurses, other health care providers, business and industry, consumers, legislators and educators; and enhance and promote recognition, reward and renewal activities for nurses in North Carolina. There are 16 members on the board, each serving a four-year term. The governor, Senate President Pro Tempore and Speaker of the House each appoint four members.

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